



The Essence of Ramadhan – Adding Flavour to our Soul and Spirituality

Hazrat Sheikh –ul- Hadith MI Zakarriyah Saheb(Rahimuhullah) has written in his “Virtues of Ramadhan” that Allah has favoured the Muslim Ummah with the month of Ramadhan, but this bounty is only a favour if it is appreciated, otherwise it will be nothing for us, - the deprived- but chanting “Ramadhan, Ramadhan” for an entire month.

There are numerous Ahadeeth – the noble words of Rasullulah (S.A.W) - exhorting to us the importance and virtues of this blessed month.

In one hadeeth Nabi(S.A.W) is reported to have said that if the people had to come to know of what Ramadhan is, then my ummah will desire that the entire year be Ramadhan.

Ramadhan is the month of saum(fast) and the fast of Ramadhan is a shield for the believers- it helps us to restrain and take control of our Nafs(Carnal desires) and ego. It aids us in protection from nafaaniyat and shaitaaniyat (Actions ignited by our Nafs and Shaitaan) i.e. actions that will invoke the anger of Allah and deprive us of his Rahmah (mercy). It also aids in cleaning the impurities of our souls. In one hadith it comes that the fast of Ramadhan and fast-

ing three days every month will remove impurity and whispers of the heart.

Ramadhan also is a time to increase in Nafl ibaadat(worship). The rewards of Nafl are equal to a fardh act and a fardh act is equal to seventy fardh deeds in other months. It is in Nafl ibaadat, such as Tilawah of Quraan, Dhikr of Allah, Nafl performance of Salaah , Tahajud etc , which we can polish our Rooh(soul) and develop roohaniyat (spirituality) in our actions.

By showing importance in these aspects of Ramadhan i.e. developing our spirituality, abstaining from sins , one will derive maximum benefit of Ramadhan that will make us continue throughout the remaining months of the year.

And remember that just as we make use of this one blessed month to prepare for the months to follow we should also use the eleven months to prepare for this blessed month.

May Allah accept our a'maal of Ramadhan and draw the mercy of Allah upon us. Ameen.

Submitted by Molana M. Akhalwaya

Banking Details

PLEASE NOTE OUR BANKING DETAILS FOR EFT DONATIONS:

Please ensure that a copy of the EFT is handed to the collector at the Masjid.

BANK: HABIB OVERSEAS BANK
BRANCH: LENASIA
BRANCH CODE: 700037

LILLAH ACCOUNT NUMBER:
1133 3200973

ZAKAAT ACCOUNT NUMBER:
1133 3203425

18A Certificates are available for all donations given. Kindly contact:

- Br. E. Dhaler : 011-855-4128
- Hfz. M. Vaid : 011-855-3293

Appeal

The LSMA looks forward to the generosity of the community by contributing your Lillah or Zakaah. Difficult economic times have placed enormous pressure on the resources of the Association, but by the grace of Allah Ta'aala, we are able to carry on supporting all our departments, Alhamdulillah

Lenasia South Muslim Association (LSMA)

The LSMA has 3 Musjids in the Lenasia South, including a Musallah at Hospital Hills, as well as 4 houses for the Muazzins and Hifz Ustaad. Only Lillah funds are used for the maintenance of the above mentioned. In 2014, the LSMA has spent R1.3M in Lillah funds, for the purposes of: Building and maintenance, salaries for Imaams and Muazzins, Water and electricity, security and transportation of Madressah children to and from Madressah.

Ramadhaan Salaah Times

	Azaan	Jamaat
Fajr	5:35am	5:50am
Esha	7:00pm	7:15pm

Eid Salaah

EID Salaah will be performed at the Al Ta-wheed Islamic Centre Masjid Bilal Lenasia South. On Wimbledon Road Opposite the Civic Centre. Time to be confirmed.

Check out our website:

www.lsma.org.za

The website contains a repository of information such as:

- ◆ Salaah Times
- ◆ Juma Rosters
- ◆ Programmes
- ◆ Emergency Contacts
- ◆ ...and much more!

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Words to Live By

Welfare

The Welfare Department continues to provide support for the less fortunate in our area, including the informal settlement, by distribution of food and meat parcels on a monthly basis. The LSMA also runs a feeding and bread scheme to the Madressah (P6) in extension 4. Over and above this, the LSMA also subsidizes Madressah fees for all those children that qualify through our Zakaah Fund. The total cost of this is in the region of R1.6M per year.

Hifz Classes

Situated at Musjid Uthmaan Gani. The Hifz classes offer either for full or part time learners. All applications can be directed to Hafez Vaid on telephone number 011 855-3293. Limited place is available.

Sayyidina `Ali (May Allah be pleased with him): "Allah does not inspire seeking forgiveness in any servant whom he wishes to punish." (Bukhari) May Allah exclude us from being amongst them!

Allah's Messenger (peace be upon him) said, "If, through fear of Allah, tears - even to the extent of a fly's head - fall from any believer's eyes and drop on some part of his cheek, he will be kept away from Hell by Allah." (Al-Tirmidhi)

Allah has sent down the best statement, a Book (this Qur'an), its parts resembling each other in goodness and truth, oft-repeated. The skins of those who fear their Lord shiver from it (when they recite it or hear it). Then their skin and their heart soften to the remembrance of Allah. That is the guidance of Allah. He Guides therewith whom He pleases and whomever Allah sends astray, for him there is no guide. (Surah Az-Zumar, verse 23).

Allah doesn't call the qualified He qualifies the called.

I prefer to be true to myself, even at the hazard of incurring the ridicule of others, rather than to be false, and to incur my own abhorrence. It is better to fail in originality than to succeed in imitation. - Herman Melville

The true believer is rewarded in every thing, even in affliction. (Abu Bakr (May Allah be pleased with him))

Convictions are more dangerous foes of truth than lies.

The greatest obstacle to discovery is not ignorance -- it is the illusion of knowledge. (Daniel J Boorstin)

Community Police Forum (CPF)

There is a genuine call for our community to join the CPF through our Sector forum. We humbly appeal to all in the community to attend the weekly meetings.

Venue: Lancaster Primary School

Time: 6:00pm Every Wednesday

For more information, contact Br. Abdul Raju (Sector 3 Chairman):

074 929 7146

Ghusl Facilities

The Ghusl facility is fully operational with the grace of Allah. The Ghusl Khana is situated at Musjid-E-Taqwa. Volunteers who would like to assist or if you require any additional info or need assistance you may contact:

•Sohail Manga 083 392 2271

•MI Abdulla Sayed 072 217 7749

Burial Committee

Death is inevitable, yet the loss of a close friend or family member always showers us with a range of emotions. LSMA Burial Committee has designed this pamphlet to assist the grieving family upon the death of a loved one.

1. Contact one of the following Burial Committee members:

- Sohail Manga 083 392 2271
- ML Abdulla Sayed 072 217 7749
- Ahmed Bham 082 717 6363
- Ashraf Lakha 083 709 8165
- Abdus Samad Kola 082 599 3752

2. Ensure that the following documents are available:

- Original ID of Deceased;
- ID of Informant.

3. The family of the Marhoom(a) jointly with the Burial Committee should decide on the pick - up time of the Marhoom(a) and Qabrastaan for burial.

The LSMA has Blankets, Crockery and Kitaabs available to the family.

Note that the total cost for the burial is R3500.00. (Child - R2000.00)

UPCOMING PROGRAMMES

12 June - Zakat Workshop, Masjid Uthman Gani Mufti Haffejjee (Ladies Facilities available)

Every Saturday in Ramadhan - Ladies Programme, 2191 Milkwood Street

Sunday Lectures at various masajid by guest speakers

Tuesday Ladies Classes

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